

December 5, 2013

JOHN A. KITZHABER, MD Governor

Dennis McLerran Regional Administrator U.S. EPA, Region 10 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900 Seattle, WA 98101

Re: Recommendations for PM_{2.5} Area Designations

Dear Mr. McLerran:

I am presenting to you my recommendations for attainment and nonattainment air quality designations in the State of Oregon for the revised annual fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS), as required in the Final Rule published on January 15, 2013 in the Federal Register.

Based on the most recent three years of quality-assured, federal reference monitoring data collected in 2010, 2011, and 2012, all areas in Oregon are in compliance with the revised annual PM_{2.5} public health standard. I recommend all these monitored areas of the state be designated "attainment/unclassifiable".

I would like to acknowledge that all of our PM_{10} maintenance areas and 24-hour $PM_{2.5}$ areas have been working hard to achieve and maintain clean air. The efforts and strategies implemented by these areas have been critical in ensuring they would meet the revised annual $PM_{2.5}$ standard.

If you have any questions, please contact David Collier, Manager, Air Quality Planning, Department of Environmental Quality, at (503) 229-5177.

Sincerely,

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Governor

cc:

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